

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1841–S1879

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2770–2777, and S. Res. 417. **Page S1853**

Measures Passed:

144th Anniversary of Arbor Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 417, celebrating the 144th anniversary of Arbor Day. **Page S1855**

Measures Considered:

America's Small Business Tax Relief Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 636, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend increased expensing limitations, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1843–45, S1876–78**

Adopted:

Thune (for Cassidy) Modified Amendment No. 3476 (to Amendment No. 3464), to authorize certain flights by Stage 2 airplanes. **Page S1876**

Thune (for Inhofe) Modified Amendment No. 3492 (to Amendment No. 3464), relating to the operation of unmanned aircraft systems by owners and operators of critical infrastructure. **Pages S1876–77**

Thune (for Hoeven) Amendment No. 3500 (to Amendment No. 3464), to provide for a 5-year extension of the unmanned aircraft system test site program. **Page S1877**

Thune (for Flake/McCain) Amendment No. 3526 (to Amendment No. 3464), to establish an airspace management advisory committee. **Page S1877**

Thune (for Cotton) Amendment No. 3535 (to Amendment No. 3464), to clarify the provision relating to airports that enter into certain leases with components of the Armed Forces. **Page S1877**

Thune (for Nelson) Amendment No. 3621 (to Amendment No. 3464), to secure aircraft avionics systems. **Page S1877**

Thune (for Booker) Amendment No. 3620 (to Amendment No. 3464), to modify the definition of small business concern for purposes of the airport improvement program. **Page S1877**

Thune (for Nelson/Coats) Amendment No. 3633 (to Amendment No. 3464), relating to restrictions on transportation of lithium batteries on aircraft. **Page S1877**

Thune (for Cantwell) Amendment No. 3534 (to Amendment No. 3464), to establish a national multimodal freight advisory committee in the Department of Transportation. **Pages S1877–78**

Thune (for Whitehouse/Inhofe) Amendment No. 3623 (to Amendment No. 3464), to impose criminal penalties for the unsafe operation of unmanned aircraft. **Page S1878**

Thune (for Cochran) Amendment No. 3567 (to Amendment No. 3464), to require the Federal Aviation Administration to coordinate with the Center of Excellence for Unmanned Aircraft Systems with respect to research relating to unmanned aircraft systems. **Page S1878**

Nelson (for Bennet) Modified Amendment No. 3524 (to Amendment No. 3464), to improve air service for families and pregnant women. **Pages S1843, S1848**

Pending:

Thune/Nelson Amendment No. 3464, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1843**

Thune (for Gardner) Amendment No. 3460 (to Amendment No. 3464), to require the FAA Administrator to consider the operational history of a person before authorizing the person to operate certain unmanned aircraft systems. **Page S1843**

Cantwell Amendment No. 3490 (to Amendment No. 3464), to extend protections against physical assault to air carrier customer service representatives. **Page S1843**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, April 12, 2016. **Page S1876**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By a unanimous vote of 92 yeas (Vote No. EX. 44), Waverly D. Crenshaw, Jr., of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee. **Pages S1845–48, S1878–79**

Executive Communications:

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Additional Cosponsors: Pages S1853–55
Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:
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Additional Statements: Pages S1852–53
Amendments Submitted: Pages S1855–76
Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
 (Total—44) Page S1848
Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 8:18 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday,

April 12, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1876.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 4890–4898; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 669 was introduced. Page H1599

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H1599–H1600

Reports Filed: A report was filed on March 30, 2016 as follows:

H.R. 2666, to prohibit the Federal Communications Commission from regulating the rates charged for broadband Internet access service, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–478). Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1815, to facilitate certain pinyon-juniper related projects in Lincoln County, Nevada, to modify the boundaries of certain wilderness areas in the State of Nevada, and to provide for the implementation of a conservation plan for the Virgin River, Nevada, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–479);

H.R. 4403, to authorize the development of open-source software based on certain systems of the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of State to facilitate the vetting of travelers against terrorist watchlists and law enforcement databases, enhance border management, and improve targeting and analysis, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–480, Part 1); and

H.R. 4407, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Department of Homeland Security a board to coordinate and integrate departmental intelligence, activities, and policy related to counterterrorism, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–481); Pages H1598–99

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Rooney (FL) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H1587

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page H1588.

Senate Referrals: S. 1890 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. S. 1638 and S. 1492 were held at the desk. Page H1589

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 3:30 p.m. and adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Securities and Exchange Commission and Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 10:30 a.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine the causes and consequences of violent extremism and the role of foreign assistance, 2 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine the